

My dear Wife: (I think you had plenty of it!) I hope, Charlotte, de-
ment. My kind regards always to the Dr. and his
wife. You write encouragingly as to your improve-

Boston, June 30, 1865.

My dear Wife:

Your letters to me, and Ellie, and Frank were duly received. I meant to have sent you a reply yesterday, but was prevented. Doubtless you received the one that William wrote to you.

Frank has not intended to neglect his mother, but he has been quite feverish during the week, with his tongue badly coated, so that one day he had to be absent from school, and to keep his bed. He is now better, and has gone to school, though he is not quite himself. Of course, we are all cautioning him not to study or read much at present.

I send you the letter I have received from Fanny. She appears to be enjoying herself to the brim, saving the drawback of the poisonous eruption in her face. I wish the dear child could be

cured of that annual affliction. Mr. Villard writes to Frank that he is having a delightful time, and that every kindness is shown to him by the McKims and all our friends in that region. How long they will remain, before getting to Providence, is still problematical. I hope they will arrange to meet me there next ^{week} — as I now intend being with you next [^] Friday, and remaining till Monday morning. Then I shall not expect to see you again until it is time for you to return home, as I must have my teeth attended to.

Your request to Franky to send you some of Madame Carteaux's hair oil will be attended ^{to} to-day. If you can sell any bottles for her, it would doubtless be gratifying to her. You have every reason to recommend it in the strongest manner. I doubt whether there is anything in the market, of the kind, so agreeable, nice, and invigorating to the hair.

I have received an urgent invitation to be the orator of the day, on the 4th of July, at the celebration ^{by} ~~of~~ the colored citizens of Washington, in front of the White House, on the President's grounds. There is not time to prepare a suitable address, and I have declined to accept. I shall try to hear Rev. Mr. Manning's oration at Music Hall on the 4th.

I trust you will not fail to receive the Liberator regularly hereafter.

You remember Marianne Keill, of Belfast, Ireland, the sister of Dora, William, Henry, &c. She has been making a short visit at the Buffums in Lynn; and a few days since, wrote to me that she would like, if convenient and agreeable, to spend a day and night at our house - she supposing Fanny was at home. I wrote to her, by Ellie's ready consent, to ^{come;} ~~come~~ and she accordingly came yesterday, and will remain till Saturday afternoon, when

she will take tea at Rev. Mr. Waterston's and remain there till Monday morning, then return to Lynn. She is a very agreeable, intelligent and estimable woman. It is ten years since she visited us.

Ellie, not having time to write to you this morning, wishes me to thank you for your letter, and to say that, on family consultation, we do not deem it best to discharge Margaret for the colored woman mentioned by you, as M. proves to be faithful, honest, of good disposition, prompt in getting meals, and not disposed to go out visiting, though she is not particularly skilled in cooking.

I send you ten dollars for the afflicted colored woman, whose case you mention. Perhaps you had better let her have half at a time, but you must judge. Tell her you have obtained it for her from a benevolent lady.

I also send you five dollars for your own use.

It is pleasant to hear from George again. Always your own W. L. G.

W. L. G. Oxbury, June 30, 1865